



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
(Case No. MBHB 99-080-B)  
Stepan No. T99,005-B

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Inquiry  
9/25/02

In the Application of:

Eric J. Geiger, et al.

Serial No.: 09/550,396<sup>696,675</sup>

Filed: October 25, 2000

For: Phthalic Anhydride Based Polyester-Ether  
Polyols and Double Metal Cyanide Catalyst  
System for Preparing Same

Art Unit: 1711

Examiner: TBA

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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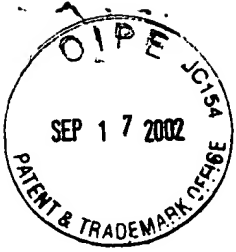
Applicants respectfully request an indication of the status of the above-referenced application. This application was filed on October 25, 2000. However, to date, the Applicants have not received an office action. Applicants would gratefully appreciate receiving a written communication indicating when Applicants may expect to receive a first office action on this application.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 10, 2002

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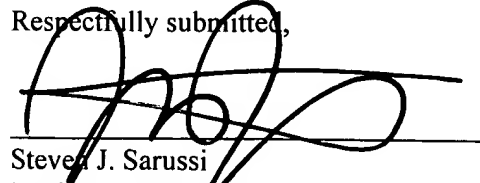
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- b) Postcard.

2. With respect to fees:

- a) No fee is required.
- b) Please charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment our Deposit Account, No. 13-2490.

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